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SUBJECT: TRAVEL TO AFGHANISTAN: VISA PROCEDURES

1. TRAVEL PROHIBITION DURING THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT
COORDINATING COMMITTEE CONFERENCE IN KABUL.

2. BECAUSE OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR HOTEL SPACE AND
SECURITY DURING THE MEETING OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT
COORDINATING COMMITTEE IN KABUL, MAY 6 - 10, 1978, THE
GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN WILL NOT ISSUE TOURIST VISAS
BETWEEN APRIL 30 AND MAY 12. INDIVIDUALS ALREADY
POSSESSING TOURIST VISAS WILL BE REFUSED ADMISSION INTO
THE COUNTRY DURING THE PERIOD. ALL AIRLINES WHICH FLY
PASSENGERS INTO KABUL HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT THEY ARE NOT
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TO ALLOW TOURISTS TO BOARD FLIGHTS TO KABUL BETWEEN
APRIL 30 AND MAY 12. THUS, TOURISTS WITH CONFIRMED
AIRLINE TICKETS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO BOARD COMMERCIAL
AIRCRAFT BOUND FOR KABUL BETWEEN THOSE DATES.

3. THE ONLY EXCEPTION WILL BE FOR TOURISTS WHO ARE COMING
TO KABUL AS PART OF A TOUR GROUP ORGANIZED IN CONJUNCTION

WITH AFGHAN TOURS, THE GOVERNMENT TOURIST AGENCY.

4. IF THROUGH AN OVERSIGHT, A TOURIST DOES DISEMBARK AT KABUL AIRPORT BETWEEN THESE DATES, HE OR SHE WILL BE DEPORTED; I.E., WILL APPARENTLY HAVE TO SIT AT THE AIRPORT UNTIL A SEAT IS AVAILABLE ON A DEPARTING FLIGHT.

5. THIS ADVISORY WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL MAY 31, 1978. CHRISTOPHER

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